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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
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CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,370,000

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Branches and Agencies:

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TIENTSIN. NEWCHANG.
PEKING.

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THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARIS BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND
SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent
per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [21]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$1,000,000
Sterling Reserve \$1,000,000
Silver Reserve \$1,000,000
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MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [22]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [23]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital \$324,374

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:
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Creasy Ewens, Esq., G. C. Moxon, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 1/2 %
Hongkong, 4th February, 1904. [18]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
Berlin. Calcutta. Hankow.
Tientsin. Tsingtau (Kiautschou).

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be
learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.
H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1904. [24]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE IN FLATS.

NO. 4, RIFON TERRACE.

NO. 17, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD, facing
Race Course.

FLATS IN MORETON TERRACE, facing
Polo Ground.

OFFICES in course of erection, CON-
NAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).

GODOWNS, PRAYA EAST.

"ROSENEATH," KOWLOON.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1904. [45]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [26]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS
GOLD \$7,992,173.37—about £1,640,000.
CAPITAL AND SURPLUS AUTHORISED
GOLD \$10,000,000—£2,055,000.

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MEXICO, MANILA, SHANGHAI, SINGA-
PORE, YOKOHAMA, BOMBAY,
CALCUTTA

AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD

LONDON AND CONTINENTAL
BANKERS:

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF
ENGLAND, LIMITED.

UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.

CREDIT LYONNAIS, DISCOUNT BANK,
COMPTOIR NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE
DE PARIS, &c.

THE Corporation transacts every Descrip-
tion of Banking and Exchange Business,
receives Money in Current Account and issues
Fixed Deposit Receipts either in Gold or
Silver at Rates which may be ascertained on
Application.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
20, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTAL.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [19]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Tael.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office: SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:

CANTON. PENANG.
CHEFOO. SINGAPORE.
HANKOW. TIENTSIN.
PEKING.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collec-
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places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Trans-
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HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities.
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

4 1/2 " " " " " " " "

5 1/2 " " " " " " " "

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £800,000

RESERVE FUND £735,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

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T. P. COCHRANE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. [24]

Hotel.

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

A HIGH CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL.

LADIES' AFTERNOON TEA ROOMS.

PRIVATE BAR

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BILLIARD ROOMS.

Hot and Cold Water throughout.

Electrically Lighted.

Electric Fans (if required).

Electric Passenger Elevator to each Floor.

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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1902. [3]

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [49]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

LONDON and ANTWERP VIA
SINGAPORE, PENANG,
COLOMBO, PORT SAID and
MARSEILLES

YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI,
MOJI and KOBE,
(Passing through the Inland Sea).

LONDON, &c. MALTA May 7th. See Special
F. R. Summers May 7th. Advertisement

SHANGHAI SIMLA About 8th May. Freight and
F. R. Summers May 7th. Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. [4]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;
PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,
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Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers
and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.

PRINZ HEINRICH WEDNESDAY, 27th April.

RAVEN WEDNESDAY, 25th May.

OLDENBURG WEDNESDAY, 8th June.

SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 22nd June.

ZIETEN WEDNESDAY, 6th July.

SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 20th July.

ROON WEDNESDAY, 3rd August.

PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 17th August.

PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD WEDNESDAY, 31st August.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of April, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ
HEINRICH," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain R. Heintze, with MAILS,
PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and
GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 25th April, Cargo and
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 26th April, and
Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 26th April.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
Lines can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to
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AGENTS.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1904. [3]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SOLE AGENTS FOR

GOLD REEF BRAND

Pure Cream.

PURE RICH THICK CREAM, Sterilized by special process, will keep good
and sweet under the most trying conditions.

QUARTER TINS - - - - 30 Cents.

HALF TINS - - - - 40 "

TINS - - - - 60 "

Sample Tin FREE on Application.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

Sole Agents for China and Manila.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1904. [38]

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A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, most centrally situated; Well furnished and Airy Bedrooms.

Monthly Boarders accommodated on very moderate terms.

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THE MANAGER.

MACAO AND CANTON HOTELS.

A LITTLE CHANGE.

The round trip from HONGKONG to MACAO, thence
to CANTON and back to HONGKONG, will be
found interesting and enjoyable.

WM. FARMER,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1904. [27]

Intimations.



The Bovril Bottle

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effective manner, and is, at the same time,
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Onoura, Otsuji, Sasahara, Tsubakuro, Yoshinotani, Yoshio, Yunokibara and other Coals,
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EDINBURGH.

THE LARGEST DISTILLERS IN THE WORLD.

Sole Agents,

H. PRICE & CO.,

12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1904. [41]

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OLD CREMOENE WHITE RYE.

WATERMILL SOUR MASH.

HIGH BALL KENTUCKY RYE.

FINE OLD BOURBON (IDES).

O. K. BOURBON.

PURE AMERICAN RYE.

MOUNT VERNON RYE.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

15, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904. [42]

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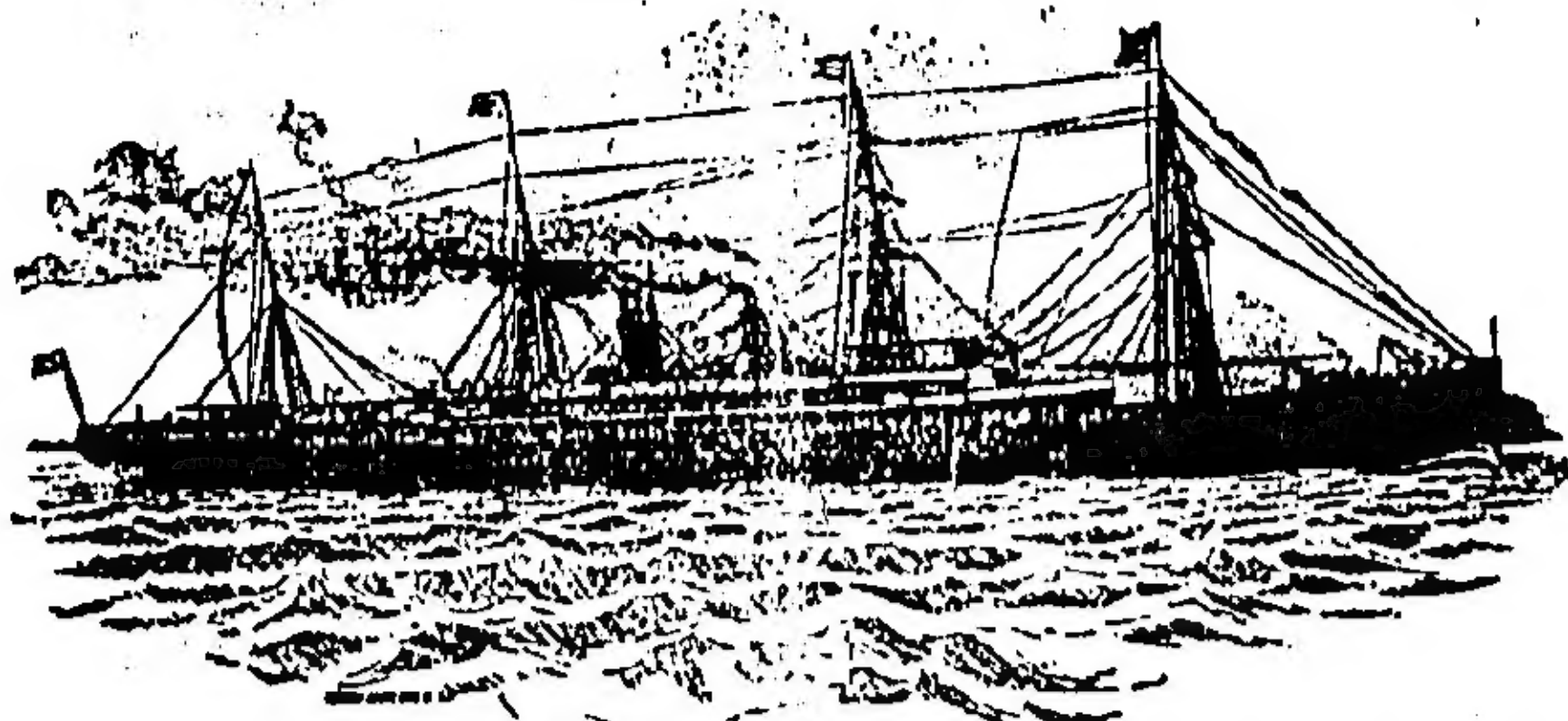
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KRUSE & Co.,
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[34]

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U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.,
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE:

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"SIBERIA"	11,284 Gross Tons	SATURDAY, 30th April, at Noon.
"GOPTIC"	4,352 "	THURSDAY, 12th May, at Noon.
"KOREA"	11,276 "	WEDNESDAY, 25th May, at Daylight.
"GAELIC"	4,205 "	SATURDAY, 4th June, at Noon.
"MONGOLIA"	4,205 "	THURSDAY, 16th June, at Noon.
"CHINA"	5,060 "	TUESDAY, 28th June, at Noon.
"DORIC"	4,784 "	SATURDAY, 9th July, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Company's Steamship "SIBERIA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 30th April, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point on route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines. Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are granted and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

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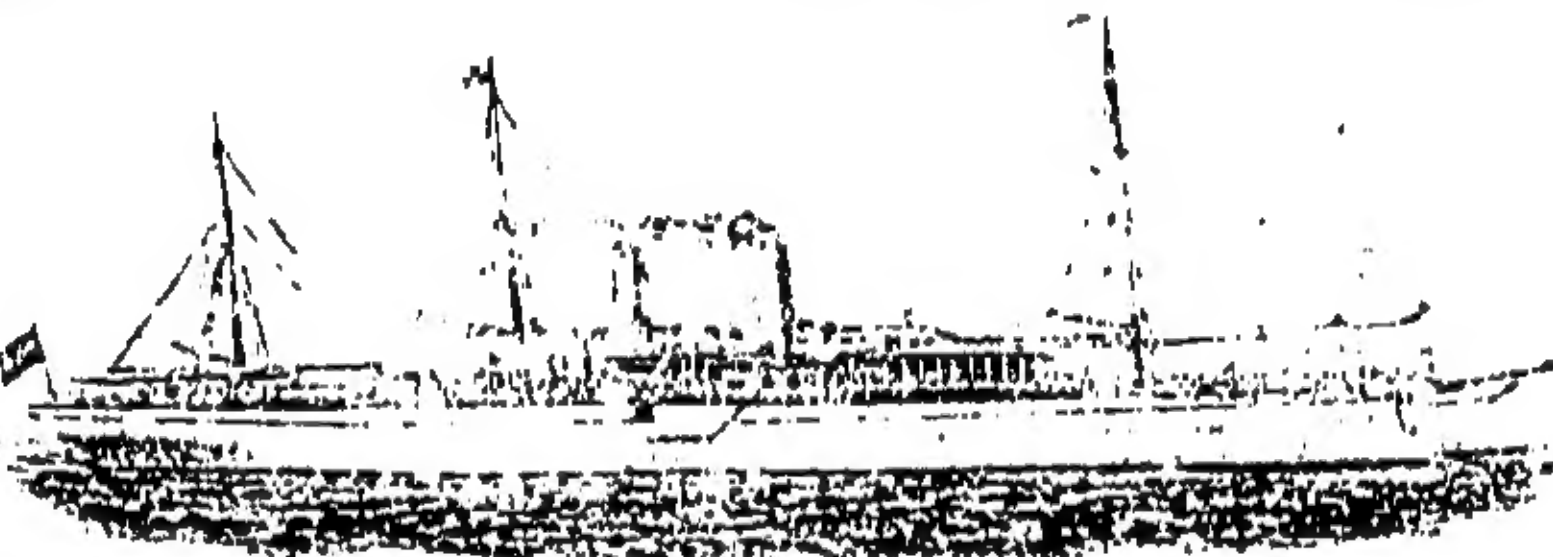
Sailings positively on schedule date.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1904.

PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
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SAVING 3 TO 7 DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).		
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN"	3,881 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
"TANTAR"	4,425 "	SATURDAY, 21st May.
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 1st June.
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 22nd June.
Hongkong to London, 1st Class	£40.	via St. Lawrence £60. via New York £62.
Hongkong to London, Intermediate on Steamers, and 1st Class Rail	£40.	£42.

THE magnificent Twin-screw "EMPEROR" Steamships pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 13 DAYS, and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

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D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
9, Fiddler's Street.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1904

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(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	25th April. Freight.
ARTEMISIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	12th May. Freight.
MARBURG	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	17th May. Freight.
STRASSBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	31st May. Freight and Passengers.
SEGOVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	14th June. Freight.
NURNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	28th June. Freight.

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
HONGKONG OFFICE,
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Hongkong, 19th April, 1904

GO TO THE
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S.S. "HONAM,"	2,363 tons	Captain R. D. Thomas.
"POWAN,"	2,338 "	G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSHAN,"	2,260 "	W. A. Valentine.
"HANKOW,"	3,073 "	B. Branch.
"KINSHAN,"	2,860 "	J. J. Lossius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and 9 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M. and 3.30 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River

Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

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HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

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Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at about 2 P.M.

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Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 7.30 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.

This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 583 tons, Captain J. Willox.

"NANNING," 559 tons, Captain C. Burchart.

One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at about 8 a.m.

Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

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Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904.

Intimations.

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FULL LINE OF SUPPLIES

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LADIES' SPECIAL TOILET ROOM.

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THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE,
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A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL

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Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator.

Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.

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For Postal Lessons, etc.; Circulars, Post Free

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1904.

547] NOTICE.

THE WINDSOR GARDEN AND

RESTAURANT

is now the sole property of the undersigned

F. HUBER who is responsible for and will

settle all business debts incurred up to the

date hereof by himself or the joint partners.

The interest and responsibility of the under-

signed MAX JACOBS in the above restaurant

has entirely ceased.

MAX JACOBS.

FRED. HUBER.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904.

The business remains closed until further

notice.

551] FRED. HUBER.

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM

OF

DENTISTRY.

DR. M. H. CHAUN,

27, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG,

From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904.

55] TSU FAN

DENTIST.

PRICE MODERATE.—CONSULTATION FREE.

Next to the Hongkong Dispensary,

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Hongkong, 15th January, 1904.

54] THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY

TRADE MARK

THE SUCCESSFUL and highly popular remedy, used in the

Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Boettcher, Robert, Volpelt

and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a

remedy of the kind, and surpasses everything hitherto

employed.

THERAPION No. 1 is a

short time, cures a few days only, removes all discharges from

the urinary organs, absolutely suspending infectious diseases

of which does irreparable harm by laying the foundation of

sterility and other serious diseases. In dysentery, piles,

irritation of the lower bowel, cough, bronchitis, asthma, and

all diseases for which it has been too much a failure

to employ mercury, arsenic, etc., to the destruction of

poisonous matter from the blood, and thoroughly

eliminates every poisonous matter from the body.

THERAPION No. 2 is

for the blood, scurvy, pimples, spots, blotches, palmar and

lingual eruptions, skin diseases, gonorrhea, rheumatism,

all diseases for which it has been too much a failure

to employ mercury, arsenic, etc., to the destruction of

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lingual eruptions, skin diseases, gonorrhea, rheumatism,

all diseases for which it has been too much a failure

to employ mercury, arsenic, etc., to the destruction of

poisonous matter from the blood, and thoroughly

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for the blood, scurvy, pimples, spots, blotches, palmar and

lingual eruptions, skin diseases, gonorrhea, rheumatism,

all diseases for which it has been too much a failure

to employ mercury, arsenic, etc., to the destruction of

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THERAPION No. 9 is

for the blood, scurvy, pimples, spots, blotches, palmar and

lingual eruptions, skin diseases, gonorrhea, rheumatism,

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poisonous matter from the blood, and thoroughly

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THERAPION No. 10 is

for the blood, scurvy, pimples, spots, blot

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF
Captain W. G. SIMPSON, R.M.,
ON
FRIDAY,
the 29th April, 1904, at 11.30 A.M., at No. 3,
Cameron Villas, The Peak,
THE WHOLE OF HIS
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
contained therein.
Particulars as per Catalogues.
TERMS—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 25th April, 1904. [550]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
SATURDAY,
the 30th April, 1904, at Noon, alongside the
Douglas S.S. Co.'s Wharf,
The Steam Launch
"BERTHA,"
Length 59 feet;
Breadth 9 feet 6 inches;
Depth 6 feet 7 inches;
Built of Teakwood, and Copper Fastened,
Metal Sheathed with Awning Complete. Boiler
4 ft. 4 in. by 6 ft. 6 in. in good order. Certificate
granted for 75 lbs. pressure. Size of
Engine—Cylinders 9 and 15 inches by 9 inch
Stroke.
TERMS—As usual.
For further particulars apply to
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1904. [544]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of
the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 2nd day of May, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Star Street in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Star Street	75 ft. by 6 ft. 6 in.	495 sq. ft.	3/6	1/6

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904. [542]

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 25th April, 1904. [552]

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

WE have this day authorized Mr. I. W. C. BONNAR to sign the name of our firm in Hongkong and China, by procuration.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904. [540]

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

GENUINE CARDIFF AND JAPAN COAL.
Apply to
RITCHIE & Co.,
39, Des Voeux Road
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904. [530]

FOR SALE.

INCANDESCENT GASOLINE LAMPS

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS, from the best makers.

INCANDESCENT MANTLES, CHIMNEYS, GLOBES, SHADES, &c.

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GASOLINE AND GAS LAMPS

at the most moderate prices.

Lamps fixed up for Buyers free of charge.

Naphtha of the best kind kept in stock.

TAI KWONG CO.,
55, Lyndhurst Terrace,
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904. [51]

Intimations.

5 DAYS ONLY.

THE fees for the "UP-TO-DATE SHORTHAND" will be increased.
As the last day of April is on an early closing day, and Sunday is the 1st of May, the payment of \$50 to completion for the full course of 21 lessons may be made not later than Monday next. If you enrol before that date you may take your lessons at your leisure—in a month, or 6 months.

The dull pupil pays no more than the bright one. Pupils must be perfect in the 1st lesson before we supply a second.

If may be learned quite as well by post as attending the Studios at Hongkong or Canton.

It is not a school or a class; you come for ten minutes, take your lesson, and return smiling for the next. It is so easy you laugh at its simplicity. Those who say "It's no good," ask them their authority. Those who say "It's a fraud," ask for proof. Bring such sceptics to me, please.

Business Training Studios, Hongkong

(near G.P.O.)

Canton:—144, Shameen.

WARWICK PEARLE, Principal.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1904. [549]

THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG EXCHANGE.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

PAYABLE QUARTERLY IN ADVANCE.

EXCHANGE LINES: \$25 Per Quarter.

NO CHARGE FOR INITIAL

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For a small additional annual charge Desk

Sets can be supplied.

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SEND FOR PRICE LISTS.

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Estimates given for all kinds of Electrical

Work.

ADDRESS:—1, ICE HOUSE ROAD.

W. STUART HARRISON,

Manager.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1904. [61]

Intimation.

A SILLY SAYING.

"It is a common but silly opinion prevailing among a certain class of people that the worse a remedy tastes, smells or hurts, the more efficacious it is." So says a well-known English physician. He further adds: "For example, let us consider cod liver oil. As it is extracted from the fish this oil is so offensive to the taste and smell that almost everybody abhors it, and many cannot use it at all, no matter how badly they need it. Yet cod liver oil is one of the most valuable drugs in the world, and it is the greatest pity that we have not thus far been able to free it from those peculiarities which so seriously interfere with its usefulness." This was written years ago; the work of civilizing and redeeming it however has since been triumphantly accomplished; and as a leading ingredient in the remedy called

WAMPOL'S PREPARATION

the oil retains all its wonderful curative properties with no bad smell or taste whatever. It is palatable as honey and contains all the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and Extracts of Mall and Wild Cherry; creating a medicine of unequalled power for the diseases most prevalent and fatal among men, women and children. There is no other remedy to compare with it. It increases the digestive power of the stomach and in Blood Impurities, Weakness, Loss of Flesh, Throat and Lung Troubles, Nervous Dyspepsia, Scrofulous Affections, Thinness and Slow Development in the young, it gives quick and certain relief and cure. Dr. G. C. Shannon, of Canada, says: "I shall continue its use with, I am sure, great advantage to my patients and satisfaction to myself." Has all the virtues of cod liver oil; none of its faults. You may trust it fully; it cannot disappoint or fail. One bottle convinces. Sold by all chemists.

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

(Continued from page 5.)

The committee at that time expressed the opinion that the above recommendations, if carried into effect, would, they hoped, put an end to the delays in the inspection of vessels that had occurred in the past, and therefore agreed to His Excellency's suggestions.

This hope unfortunately was not fulfilled and the chamber found it necessary to again draw the attention of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government to the inconvenience and loss suffered by the large shipping interests of this Colony through the new arrangement not having produced the anticipated result, as in consequence of the health officer of the port and his deputy being engaged with their private practice in various parts of the city, it not infrequently happens that when their official services are required they are inaccessible. Dr. Key is thus often the only officer available to attend the ships coming into the harbour, with the result that delays are of frequent occurrence.

His Excellency has, however, not seen his way to follow the committee's suggestion to employ a Government official without private practice but with a qualified assistant, and the committee regret having to record this decision as they feel their suggestion is the only remedy for the delays now experienced.

JUNKS FLYING FOREIGN FLAGS TO EVADE PAYMENT OF "CHING-FEI" TAX LEVIED BY THE VICE-ROY OF THE TWO KWANG.

Following up the representations made last year, the committee again drew the attention of the Government to the fact that a large number of trading junks using the harbour as native craft after leaving the waters of the Colony hoist certain foreign flags under Consular Authority and proceed to Canton as foreign craft. Mr. James Scott, H.M.'s Consul General at Canton, referred to the matter in his annual report for 1902 as a state of affairs which is obviously unsatisfactory both as regards the Hongkong Government and the Imperial Maritime Customs in China. Certain suggestions were therefore made which, it is hoped, will be acted upon, so that the harbour master may be kept informed as to the names and registered numbers of such junks to enable him to refuse them the right of entry and clearance in the Colony. The improper use of alien flags by Chinese junks will then be discouraged.

STORM WARNINGS.

The exertions of the committee in 1902 were rewarded by H.E. the Governor agreeing in May last to introduce the flag system of weather signals as worked at Shanghai for the information of shipmasters, but without displacing the cone system in use. His Excellency's opinion and that of his expert advisers was stated as being that the cone system was a better and safer system and familiar to the local junk population. It will be remembered that at the commencement of the discussion the Chamber suggested the introduction of a flag system, but His Excellency then arrived at the conclusion that an alteration in the Hongkong system of signalling storms was not desirable and that a system of flag signals to convey weather information was, for the reasons indicated by the acting director, not suited to local conditions. Eventually the Chamber drew an extended code of symbol signals for day, and lantern signals for night work, to meet the objections raised against flags as well as on economical grounds. Now that the Government has introduced the Shanghai flag system it is felt that at least a fair trial may be given to it and objections raised later if found necessary.

The committee's suggestion that an additional signal station should be established at Cape Collinson and Green Island was vetoed on the ground that these places were not in direct telephonic communication with, and the signals could not be verified by the Observatory officials.

A concession was granted whereby all masters of vessels or their agents may now obtain free special telegraphic information from the Observatory by calling at the Telegraph Company's office in the Praya or through the telephone on calling at the police station at Kowloon Point, and this will doubtless prove of advantage to masters of vessels on the point of sailing.

The acting director (Mr. Figg) reported that the Observatory was well equipped with meteorological instruments.

REDUCED CABLE RATES TO EUROPE.

The hope expressed in last year's report that the repeated representations to the Cable Companies on the subject of the excessive rates charged might not be without effect at the International Telegraph Conference in May, 1903, fortunately turned out to be correct, as from the 15th July, 1903, the rate to Europe was dropped from Francs 7 to 5.50, a reduction of over 20 per cent. The competition of the new Pacific cable to Manila has been the direct cause of the lower rates for which the committee have been agitating for years past.

CONVEYANCE OF AUSTRALIAN MAILS VIA HONGKONG AND THE SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

The Council of the North Australian league forwarded resolutions in favour of the quicker transit of London mails to Australia and the desirability of inaugurating as soon as the Adelaide-Port Darwin Railway line is completed a mail service via the Trans-Siberian Railway to China and thence via Hongkong or Canton by first steamer service to Port Darwin.

ELECTION OF A REPRESENTATIVE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

H.E. Sir Henry Blake informed the Chamber that he had granted a year's leave of absence to the Hon. R. Shewan as from the 5th August last and therefore requested the nomination of a temporary member of Council in his place. A special general meeting of the members was held on the 12th idem, at which Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., was elected by 63 votes to 54 for Mr. E. A. Hewitt. His Excellency afterwards signified his approval of the nomination.

IMBECILE PERSONS INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE, 1904.

This bill, which became law on 23rd February, 1904, was introduced in the Legislative Council last August under the name of Imbecile Immigration Ordinance. Its conditions were so onerous that the Chamber strongly opposed each stage in Council through the acting representative of the Chamber, Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., and the Government were induced to somewhat restrict the proposed liabilities under which owners, charterers, agents, consignees and masters of vessels were to be subjected to for landing persons in the Colony who afterwards became lunatic, etc., and a charge on the rates within 6 months of such landing. The period of 6 months was finally reduced to three months, the aggregate expense limited to \$5,000, exemption permitted if it could be proved that such person became lunatic, etc., after embarkation at the port or place from which he shipped and the right given to demand from the authorities a certificate of refusal of permission to land.

With these concessions the committee had to be content, but they regard with some concern the recurrent desire of the Government to saddle the shipping interests with expenses which threaten to deprive Hongkong of its advantage as a cheap transshipping port. Your Committee have had in mind throughout their deliberations on this ordinance that the retention of freedom from direct taxation and the repression of useless restrictions is the policy which the shipping passing through the harbour should be treated if its present volume is to be maintained or increased.

The shipping firms and agencies supported the action of the committee by addressing a petition to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in which very strong arguments were brought forward for the withdrawal of the bill, but unfortunately His Excellency refused to comply with the wishes of the petitioners.

MEMBERS.

The present membership is 144, showing an increase of 8 firms and public companies and 3 private individuals, who now number 117 and 27 respectively. Messrs. Deacon & Hastings and Edwards, Piry & Co., Ltd., have resigned their membership, and the Holland-China Trading Co. took over the membership of Messrs. Hotz & Jacob & Co.

The following have been admitted to membership subject to confirmation at the annual meeting:—Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, Barretto & Co., Lamke & Rogge, E. G. Wilks & Co., Chun On Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Shiu On S. S. Co., Ltd., Osaka Shosen Kaisha, Java-China-Japan Lijn, China & Japan Telephone & Electric Co., Ltd., Deacon, Looker & Deacon, Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., Mr. G. C. Moxon, and Mr. A. M. Essabhooy.

THE GENERAL COMMITTEE.

Since its election at the last annual meeting in May last, the only changes taking place have been the temporary substitution of Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., for Mr. R. Shewan as ex-officio member in August last, and Mr. C. Michelau having left the Colony in January, 1904, Mr. A. Haupt was invited to re-join the committee.

REUTER'S POLITICAL TELEGRAMS.

Since the last meeting the committee have made a contract with the Reuter's Telegram Co., Ltd. for five years at a monthly subscription of \$500.

PROPOSED DIRECT PARCEL POST EXCHANGE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The committee have pleasure in reporting that the joint representations of the Chamber, and that of Amoy, to the Hongkong Government which were strongly supported by H.E. Sir Henry Blake, and referred to in last year's report, have had a satisfactory issue.

Parcels may now be sent direct from Hongkong by post to places in the United States, and there is little doubt that this service will

Intimations.

The ROBINSON PIANO Co., Ltd.



Hongkong, Shanghai, and Singapore.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [539]

Rapidly prove a great convenience and incentive to trade.

ARBITRATIONS.

During the year eight differences between buyer and seller were referred to the Chamber by members, and the expert survey reports made on the goods in dispute were in all cases accepted by the applicants.

As one of the objects of the Chamber is to encourage reference to arbitration in trade disputes instead of by redress in the law courts, the committee consider it satisfactory to place on record the increased inclination on the part of manufacturers and merchants in Europe to require surveys to be conducted under the auspices of the Chambers of Commerce.

FINANCES.

The Pinnacle Rock Fund amounts with interest to \$4,256.84 and is separately invested, partly in Hongkong Hotel Co. 6 per cent. debentures purchased on 31st December last at par, and the balance in 4½ per cent. Hongkong & Shanghai Bank fixed deposit. No demands have been made on the fund during the year for discovery of rocks dangerous to navigation.

The income shows a satisfactory increase over that of the previous year, chiefly resulting through the increased membership, but on the other hand the expenditure has been greater. The surplus is \$694.27, bringing the reserve fund up to \$12,847.29 at the end of the year.

It will be noted that in order to obtain a larger income in future years, the bank deposits on general account have been withdrawn and re-invested on 31st December last in Hongkong Hotel Co., and Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. 6 per cent. Debentures bearing interest at 6 per cent. per annum and 5 per cent. per annum respectively.

Intimations.

WANTED.

AN ENGLISH-SPEAKING CHINESE MASTER for SAI-YING-PUN SCHOOL. Salary \$30 per month.

Apply to—

INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904. [555]

WANTED.

SITUATION by BOOKKEEPER, young European. Salary required \$200.

Please apply to

K. L.

C/o Hongkong Telegraph.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1904. [532]

WANTED.

THREE COMPOSITORS. Apply to—

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Hongkong, 19th April, 1904.

To Let.

TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNITSFORD TERRACE. Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904. [554]

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, THE PEAK.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [436]

TO LET.

ONE OFFICE ROOM on second floor, Prince's Buildings.

Apply to—

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1904. [479]

TO LET.

MEIRION, Nos. 1 and 2, BOWRING VILLAS, No. 2.

Apply—

HUGHES & HOUGH,

8, Des Voeux Road,

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904. [463]

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

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Special attention given to effectively displaying advertisements.

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Three ".....20.00
Six ".....37.50
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No charge less than one dollar.

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12 ".....25 " "

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Notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages \$1 each insertion in the Daily and Weekly.

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WATSON'S GLYCERINE AND CAR-

BOLIC SOAPS effect a saving of 50% owing to the large size of the tablets. They are made of the purest ingredients and are elegantly put up. Our Caribolic Dog Soap is the best thing of its kind in the market.

WATSON'S TAI YEUK FONG HAIR

WASH prepared from a recipe of the late Dr. Ayres, continues to give much satisfaction to those who use it.

WATSON'S ORIENTAL DENTIFRICE.

FRIGE. In the early days of the Colony the public had no other. Liquid dentifrices do not whiten the teeth white and clean. We recommend the above preparation to all, and especially to those who are heavy smokers.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS.

ESTABLISHED 1841.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.

TELEPHONE NO. 256.

A. B. C. CODE, 4TH EDITION.

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A CHEE & CO.,
祥利廣

17, QUEEN'S ROAD.

FURNITURE
DEALERS.DRAWING-ROOM,
DINING-ROOM,
and BED-ROOM
FURNITURE.ELECTRO-PLATED,
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CHINA WARES.PASTEUR'S MICROBE-PROOF
FILTERS,ROCHESTER LAMPS,
WHITE TURKISH TOWELS,
COUNTERPANES.COOKING RANGES,
KITCHEN UTENSILS, and
HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES.PHOTOGRAPHIC
DEPARTMENT.DEVELOPING and PRINTING
UNDERTAKEN FOR AMATEURS.
GOOD WORK.

PROMPT RETURN.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1904.

DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PERFU-

MERY, PATENT MEDICINES, ETC.

AND

DISPENSING CHEMISTS.

ADDRESS:

FLETCHER & Co.,

THE PHARMACY,
14, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 法中A. STEVENSON,
Chemist.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904.

NOTICE.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A DECREE has been issued creating an agency of the Indo-China Bank at Singapore.

THE S.S. *Honam*, which it will be remembered was in collision with the barrier at Canton some weeks ago, is now in Dock undergoing repairs.

MEMBERS of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce are reminded of the annual general meeting to be held at the Chamber room, City Hall, at 3.30 p.m. to-morrow.

STEALING sand from Crown property was the somewhat curious charge laid against one Tam Hin, a boatman, which being proved, Tam had to pay 125 or go to gaol for one month. Tam paid.

THE Nippon Yusen Kaisha has opened negotiations to purchase the British steamer *Welden*. The prices of steamers are reported to have risen from forty to fifty per cent. above the prices asked before the war.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Sheung Wan Market Pork Guild, \$135

SIX cases of plague, of which five proved fatal, have been recorded during the past day. The deaths were Chinese, three being from Kowloon City and two from First Street, while the other case was that of an Indian at Shum Shui Po police station.

THE German cruiser S.M.S. *Mowe*, which has been here since last November having new engines fitted, is expected to be ready for sea in about two weeks' time. Her run is first to Manila and then to Sydney, where another crew will be embarked.

THE U.S. Army transport *Steward* is in dry-dock at Kowloon where she is being thoroughly overhauled and having a new propeller fitted. The vessel, which is a schooner rigged steamer, has been out on the Philippine coast for the past two years, and is specially adapted for cold storage, having on board a number of refrigerator machines.

WE are in receipt of an illustrated war supplement, published by our northern contemporary the *Kobe Herald*. This interesting publication gives a valuable synopsis of the causes leading to the present struggle and accounts of the operations up to the end of March. Other numbers will be issued as the war progresses, and the collection will undoubtedly be of real value for future reference.

A YOUNG Japanese, named Nimura Kanai, got over elated at the doings of his countrymen with the Russians, and looked upon the *saki*, the wine of his country, when it was warm, partaking thereof, not wisely but too well. As a result he got into such a state of excitement, singing the glories of his countrymen's valour and prowess in battle, as to necessitate his removal to the cells. This little outbreak was assessed at \$3 by Mr. Kemp this morning.

LAST evening there arrived in Hongkong a party of fifty Filipinos, who are en route to the St. Louis exhibition, under the escort of Mr. Arthur W. Fergusson, Secretary to the Philippines Commission. Among the party were commissioners, judges, lawyers, doctors and students. They leave for San Francisco on the S.S. *Siberia*, sailing Wednesday. To-day the party has been very much in evidence, taking in the sights, such as they are, of Hongkong.

AN eight-cored, steel armoured, submarine cable was successfully laid across the harbour yesterday, between North Point and Hung Hom. Mr. Young of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. superintended the operations, Mr. Farrell of the P. W. D. being present for the Colonial Government. This cable will serve to maintain telegraphic communications between the city of Victoria and the Observatory, as well as placing the police stations in Kowloon and the New Territory in connection by telephone with the Central Police office.

ABOUT a month ago a Chinese contractor living at No. 38, D'Aguilar Street was on his way with a bag of money, to the new Battery near West Point, to pay some workmen, when he was set upon by two Chinese who severely assaulted him and left him for dead after robbing him of all his valuables. The man was ill for some time, but on Monday when he was out he recognized one of his assailants going into a house. He immediately went and informed the police, and as a result Inspector McNaught arrested the man whom the contractor at once identified. He is now in the lock-up, and will be afforded an opportunity of giving an account of himself before Mr. Kemp to-morrow.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon in the Council Chamber. Present:—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, F. H. May, C.M.G., Hon. Major-General Villiers Hatton, C.B., Hon. A. M. Thomson, (Acting Colonial Secretary), Hon. Sir Henry Spencer Berkeley, Kt. (Attorney-General), Hon. L. A. M. Johnston (Acting Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Capt. L. A. Barnes-Laurence, R.N. (Harbour Master), Hon. P. N. A. Jones, (Acting Director of Public Works), Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., Hon. Wei Yuk, and Mr. R. F. Johnston (Acting Clerk of Councils).

THE minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the financial minutes were referred to the Finance Committee, whose last report was then adopted.

RESERVATION AREA.

The Attorney-General moved the third reading of the Peak Reservation Ordinance. The Colonial Secretary seconded. Carried.

The Council was adjourned sine die.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was then held, under the presidency of the Acting Colonial Secretary, at which the following votes were recommended for adoption:—

INJC WORKS.

A sum of \$1,000 in aid of the vote, public works, extraordinary, to meet cost of erecting a public urinal on the northern side of the hill close to the upper tram station at the Peak.

TRASURY.

A sum of \$3,200 in aid of the vote, Treasury, for the following staff required from 1st May to 31st December, 1904, to collect Crown rent, etc., in the New Territories:—

PERSONAL EMOLUMENTS.

Clerk * at \$500 per annum,	\$500
2 Clerks * at \$150 per annum each =	300
For Tai Po 2 Clerks at \$500 per annum each, =	1,000
2 Clerks at \$480 per annum each, =	960
Total,	\$3,280

OTHER CHARGES.

Conveyances—Allowances—Collector, = \$240

7 Clerks, = 560

800

* Temporary Shroff (\$480) and Assistance (\$144) under vote Treasury not now required.

† Shroff (\$340) under vote Colonial Secretary's Office not now required.

WATER TANKS.

A sum of \$5,100 in aid of the vote public works, extraordinary, to meet the cost of supplying and erecting sixteen tanks in Nos. 9 and 10 Health Districts, Victoria.

The meeting then terminated.

SHOOTING.

H.K.V.C. LEFT HALF NO. 2 COMPANY.

On Sunday last, the members of the above company completed a series of eight carbine competitions which have been held during the winter months.

Prizes had been subscribed for by the N. C. O's of the Half Co.

The conditions of the competition were 7 shots and a sighter at 200, 400, and 500 yards. The highest aggregate for six out of the eight shots to win.

A fair amount of interest was taken in the competition and considerable improvement was noticeable in the quality of the shooting as the competition went on. The committee feel confident, however, that many of the younger members would make greater progress if they attended practice more often, and trust that when the next shooting season begins the number of competitors will be largely increased.

The following were the best scores sent in:

Gunner A. Watson	499
Sergeant Andrew	483
" Terrill	467
" Gloyd	451
Sergt-Major Rodger	433

THE "BALLAARAT" CHANGON COLLISION.

THE ARBITRATOR'S JUDGMENT.

From a copy of Sir Hiram S. Wilkinson's judgment in the matter of the arbitration between the owners of the P. & O. s.s. *Ballaarat* and the owners of the S.S. *Changon* we learn that he is of opinion that both vessels were to blame. He thought that if a better lookout had been kept on the *Ballaarat* the *Changon* would have been seen from the bridge of the *Ballaarat* before she was seen, and those on board the *Ballaarat* would have been more ready to meet the emergency which arose; but even if the *Changon* could not have been seen before she was seen, after she was seen there was time for the *Ballaarat* to take measures to prevent the collision. He was advised that the *Changon* ought to have anticipated meeting the *Ballaarat* about the bend of the Bar. It was not a question of a large steamer having any different right from a small steamer. It was merely a question of what under particular circumstances a large steamer could, by an approaching vessel, be expected to accomplish, and in the case the *Changon* ought not to have expected the *Ballaarat* to be able to hold back until after she had passed the Gas Buoy. By going on the *Changon* placed herself and the *Ballaarat* in a position which was likely to lead to a collision and which did lead to a collision, and for this she was to blame. He thought that those on board the *Changon* were also to blame in failing to take proper steps to secure that the wheel was properly manned, and that the engines were properly manned. Each vessel was to blame for the collision, and each vessel was to pay its share of the Court fees and half of the costs of the arbitration.

THE WAR.

LATE WIRES.

(V. C. D. News.)

Tokio, 21st April. It is reported that the sudden sinking of the *Petrovsk* was due to her striking the mine forward of her powder magazine.

The Japanese people are perfectly free from excitement. The prevailing idea abroad that the utterances of the Japanese Press already suggest a relapse into the chronic disease of pig-headed hatred of Western nations, is entirely unfounded. The enlightened sections of the population urge that a victorious end of the war does not imply any change in Japan's moderate and reasonable demands with regard to religious tolerance. It is urged also that the existing system is as liberal as possible, and the Government is taking pains to uphold this principle.

In the latest engagement, the temperature at the time of the departure of the destroyers and torpedo boats for Port Arthur was 20 degrees below zero. The crews were able to stand the cold themselves, but the compasses congealing, endeavour had to be made to warm them. Approaching the harbour without any lights, they skillfully avoided the enemy's searchlights, which the Japanese bombarded as they passed, after completing the laying of the mechanical mines, on the forenoon of the 13th instant. The Port Arthur batteries were unable to fix the range, owing to the very close approach of the Japanese. The fighting capacity of the Russian squadron is now reduced by eighty per cent, and it is believed that Port Arthur will be desperately defended by the shore batteries.

Peking, 22nd April. Several telegrams received from the Tartar Generals of Kirin and Fengtien provinces have stated that the Russian Government is vexing China whenever and in whatever way it can find a chance. The inclination must be to make China abandon its attitude of neutrality. The Chinese Government seems to have decided to take a strong policy against Russia. A few days ago the Government telegraphed Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai to make war preparations secretly, and at the same time telegraphed to General Ma instructing him to keep a quiet and careful watch and await later order. A Chinese from Chaoyang states that General Ma's troops in that place are estimated at thirteen battalions, and it is believed that as soon as fighting breaks out between Russia and Japan near Newchwang, General Ma will transfer his camp to Chinchow to prevent the escape of the Russian troops.

Steamers are still going to Newchwang, notwithstanding the absence of the lightship and buoys, and the reported presence of Russian mines in the river.

THE S.S. "HAINUN" AGAIN.

The Weihaiwei correspondent of the *N. C. D. News*, writing on the 18th inst., states:—

We are still in considerable doubt as to all that occurred last Wednesday at Port Arthur. The *Esperanza* passed early in the day, arriving here at about 4 p.m. She was, however, so great a distance from the scene that even with their glasses those on board had difficulty in arriving at definite conclusions as to what was happening. The information obtained from various people on the gunboat is therefore conflicting. According to one report the *Bayan* and other ships had been caught outside by five Japanese cruisers, and the former seemed unable to re-enter the harbour, as in so doing they would be exposed to the fire from the forts. Another version is that a large cruiser—supposed to be the *Bayan*—was intercepted by the Japanese cruiser squadron, as she was making for Port Arthur from an easterly direction, and that several Russian ships, including a battleship (? *Petrovsk*) were attempting to assist the cruiser by creating a diversion. The cruiser seemed to have been damaged, and was enveloped in clouds of smoke and steam. The *Esperanza* saw nothing of the Japanese battleships, nor did she witness the destruction of the *Petrovsk*. The *Times* correspondent learned at Chemulpo that another attack on Port Arthur was imminent, and the *Hainun* steamed hastily in that direction. During the night (of Tuesday) the Japanese fleet was sighted, and the Press-boat kept in its wake. The *Hainun* was too late apparently to witness the attempt by the Japanese cruisers to intercept Russian ships, nor do those on board appear to have seen the *Petrovsk*'s disaster. Whether this occurred in or outside the port—and whether it was due to a Japanese or Russian submarine mine still seems doubtful.

The Russian Government appear to be objecting strongly to the use of the wireless telegraph by war correspondents, but it is scarcely conceivable that they will carry out their threat to treat them as spies.

RUSSIANS MAKING MILITARY ROAD AT LIAOYANG.

The *Sin Wan Pao* is advised by a Fengtien despatch of the 15th inst., that since the Russians withdrew themselves to the left shore of the Yalu River, they have decided to make Kunlungcheng, Antung and Fenghuangcheng, their strongholds and strategic points, but the road between Liaoyang and Fenghuangcheng is obstructed by Tatscho, Langtshian, Motienting and Tungyuanpao which all possess natural advantages, but the roads here are so steep as to render travelling dangerous, therefore the Russians have been compelling the natives to make a road through the above mountains.

NEWCHWANG NOTES.

The above organ is informed by a Newchwang despatch of the 15th instant, that the Russian Military Authorities had given notice that no foreign boats would be allowed to take passage across the Liao River after the 15th instant.

Japanese attack, the robbers have become much more active. Yesterday several merchants were reported to be killed and robbed outside of the mud city by some of these desperadoes.

The Russians have now completed all their defence measures of the port. General Kuropatkin has made a personal visit to Yinkow to inspect the forts and submarine mines.

CHINESE WORKMEN AT PORT ARTHUR
ILL-TREATED.

The same paper is told by a Kinchow despatch that the Russians at Port Arthur have been busy engaged in digging entrenchments at the rear of the Port, making repairs to the damaged dockyard and forts, and putting the roads in order. The labour is all done by Chinese workmen, and these men had to work like beasts. As provisions are scarce they have to work with hungry stomachs and at the same time their head men squeeze as much wages out of them as possible. Their condition is certainly most pitiable. Lately a large quantity of rice was sent to Port Arthur from Moukden, so it is hoped this will afford the poor labourers some relief.

NEWS FROM NEWCHWANG.

The correspondent at Kinchow learns that the attempt to block the Liao-ho by sinking junks laden with stone proved a failure. The current of the river was too rapid to allow the blocking operation to be carried out. The Russian gunboat *Sinitch* which wintered at Inkao, is to be used as a floating battery. Forts are being built in great haste. At one fort six 9-inch and three 5-inch guns have been mounted. The British Consul at Newchwang, who has been promoted to be Consul-General at Tientsin, states that the Russians have laid submarine magazines at the mouth of the Liao-ho; but it is believed ships of war can pass in safety, as the space between the mines is very wide. The Russians at Newchwang are now afraid that the Japanese troops may not attack Newchwang. Almost indescribable disorder prevails amongst the Russian troops. A seaman on a junk which arrived from the Elliot islands, reports that on the 11th inst. the fishermen on one of the islands found more than thirty torpedoes floating about in the water. They picked up one and sold it to some natives on shore. The latter tried to see what it contained. While they were examining it the torpedo exploded, killing four men. These torpedoes are believed to have been swept out from Dalny by the gale which raged there a few days ago.

One of the officials engaged in the work of raising the cruiser *Varyak* at Chemulpo states that four guns have already been removed. The bunker coal is being taken out through a large hole made in the side of the vessel. The divers employed have not yet discovered the cause for the vessel's sinking. A long search was made for the plan of the vessel, which would give valuable assistance in the work of raising, and this was ultimately discovered. One dead body was found in the ship—that of a sailor who was pressing against a porthole as if at the time the vessel sank he was trying to escape.

It will be remembered that when volunteers were called for in the first blocking expedition, several of the applicants wrote their applications in their own blood. One of these was Petty Officer Hayashi of the battleship *Mikasa*, and a remarkable petition was recently submitted to the inspection of the Emperor, who seemed pleased with the loyalty and bravery of the writer, and announced his intention to keep the document and preserve it.

The Japanese are constructing redoubts on the island of Ko-je, near Masampho. It will be remembered that Masampho, occupying a strategic position on the Korean Straits at the south of the peninsula, was once very near becoming a second Port Arthur for the Russians, who had leased a piece of land ostensibly for the establishment of a coal station, when the Japanese abruptly purchased a piece of land immediately before it. Russia was a considerable time negotiating at Seoul for the lease of Masampho, but Japan is there to-day.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF KOREA.

The Japanese Board of Trade in Fusan has petitioned the Japanese Government and the Japanese Minister at Seoul to secure the adoption of the following measures:—

- 1.—A revision of the Treaty between Korea and Japan.
- 2.—The issuance of permanent deeds to real estate.
- 3.—The management of the Imperial Customs by that Power whose trade interests are largest in Korea.
- 4.—A reform of the agricultural methods in Korea.
- 5.—Permission for foreigners to reside anywhere in the interior of Korea.
- 6.—The establishment of four or more Japanese agricultural stations in each of the thirteen provinces as object-lessons to the Koreans.
- 7.—Permission for Japanese boats to visit and trade along the entire coast of Korea.
- 8.—The establishment of numerous branches of Japanese banks throughout Korea.
- 9.—The reorganization of the Korean monetary system so as to effect an equilibrium in exchange.

THE SEOUL WUJIAI WAY.

As showing the energy of the Japanese, construction has been commenced in earnest on the new railway enterprise of the Japanese in Korea, from Seoul to Wujia, and it is hoped in a few months that the journey half-way between Seoul and Wujia, as far as Pingyang, will be accomplished by means of the iron horse.

The course of a few hours and not the previous course of a few days, will be the result of the new railway.

COMMERCIAL BUSINESS OF
CROWN COLONY AGENTS.

A despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies relating to the commercial business of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, has been published as a Parliamentary paper (C. 1944). In a circular addressed to the Governors of all Colonies, not possessing responsible Government, excepting Southern Rhodesia and Labuan, Mr. Lyttelton writes:—

Downing-street, Feb. 24, 1904.

Sir,—I have had before me the correspondence connected with my predecessor's circular despatch of June 1, 1901, on the subject of the manner in which the Crown Agents for the Colonies have transacted the commercial business entrusted to them. The despatch concluded with an intimation that the answers to it would supply material for judging whether any modifications of the existing system could usefully be made.

2. In this circular Mr. Chamberlain stated that in almost all cases in which complaints had been made against the Crown Agents of mistakes or neglect in their commercial transactions, and in which sufficient details were supplied to enable investigation to be made, the Crown Agents had furnished satisfactory explanations; and I have been glad to note that, after most careful consideration of the answers to his despatch, my predecessor placed on record his opinion that the number of complaints was small in proportion to the number of Colonies which had sent replies; that few of the complaints were serious; that, allowing for the percentage of mistakes for which allowance in all business must be made, and taking into consideration the very small charge for agency which the Colonies have to pay, the existing system had, beyond question, worked well for the Colonies; and that the Crown Agents had deserved the confidence alike of the Governments of the Crown Colonies, and of successive Secretaries of State.

3. Having come to the conclusion that the Colonies derive both direct and indirect advantages from the present system, Mr. Chamberlain went on to consider whether there were any details in which the system could usefully be modified.

4. The answers to the circular contained various complaints, well or ill founded, of delay in complying with the requisitions sent from the Colonies; and one source of delay was found to be the necessity which, under the existing regulations, is laid upon the Crown Agents of making constant references to the Colonial Office, for authority to carry out the wishes of the Colonial Governments.

5. Under the Colonial Regulations requisitions for stores may be made direct to the Crown Agent only if the expenditure has been previously sanctioned by law or ordinance, or by previous instructions from the Secretary of State; and every requisition must bear a reference to the authority under which they are sent direct to the Crown Agents, and though the expenditure in such cases may be authorized as a matter of fact, often have been authorized, all such requisitions have to be referred by the Crown Agents to the Colonial Office for the Secretary of State's approval.

6. Mr. Chamberlain accordingly came to the conclusion that, in order to minimise the number of references to the Colonial Office, and the consequent delays, and in order to make the Crown Agents, as regards their commercial business, more directly responsible to the Colonial Governments, it would be well to modify the regulations relating to this subject.

7. He decided that the Crown Agents shall in future comply with all requisitions which are sent to them by the Colonial Governments, and duly authorised by those Governments, and that they shall no longer be required to refer to the Colonial Office for the Secretary of State's instructions, when those requisitions do not indicate that the expenditure has been duly sanctioned, the only exception to the rule being when the Crown Agents from preceding correspondence have reason to think that it is under the Secretary of State's consideration to suspend, or modify the particular work, or service, in connection with which the articles for which they have received orders are required.

8. The effect of the change will be to increase the responsibility of the Colonial Governments to the Secretary of State, inasmuch as no responsibility in the matter will be left to the Crown Agents. The expenditure for articles to be supplied by the Crown Agents will still require the sanction of law, and the approval of the Secretary of State, and every requisition which is not covered by previous approval, should continue to be sent in the first instance to the Secretary of State. Colonial Governments will be expected to enforce the rules, and will clearly understand that they must not, under any circumstances, allow unauthorised expenditure to be incurred, but so far as the Crown Agents are concerned, their duty will be simply to execute the orders which reach them from the Colonial Governments.

9. I am enclosing in a separate circular the revised Colonial Regulations on the subject. It is hardly necessary to emphasise the rule that all orders for goods which are to be obtained in the United Kingdom, or in any country, British or Foreign, which is not adjacent to the Colony, should not be placed locally; but should be sent to the Crown Agents. Not only when the purchases are to be made in the United Kingdom, but also when it is necessary to buy in the Continental markets, it is, in my opinion, for the interests of the Colonies, as well as expedient on more general grounds, that the orders should be executed through this central agency.

The despatch then enumerates some further provisions intended to minimise delays and facilitate business between the Colonial Governments and the Crown Agents. A memorandum on the position and duties of Crown Agents is attached.—*London Times*, March 11.

SHIPPING AND MANS.

MATE DUE.

Canadian (*Toronto*) 20th inst.
American (*Cable*) 2nd inst.
French (*Express*) 2nd inst.
Indian (*Express*) 2nd inst.
Japanese (*Express*) 2nd inst.
Korean (*Express*) 2nd inst.
Russian (*Express*) 2nd inst.
German (*Express*) 2nd inst.

The I. C. S. N. O. G. has been notified for this port by the I. C. S. N. O. G. and may expect to arrive here on the 27th inst.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE WAR.

THE VLADIVOSTOK SQUADRON.

JAPANESE COASTER SUNK.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

YOKOHAMA, 26th April, 11.35 a.m.

A Russian squadron from Vladivostok, composed of three warships and two destroyers, appeared suddenly off Gensan yesterday morning.

The residents at that port fled for safety into the interior.

The Russian ships encountered a Japanese coasting steamer, of 800 tons, named the *Gogyo-maru*, and fired upon and sunk her.

This vessel belongs to Mr. Hori of Chemulpo. The squadron withdrew without firing on the port, and its whereabouts is unknown.

U. S. SEOL LEGATION GUARD.

AMERICAN MARINES WITHDRAWN.

Seventy American marines belonging to the U. S. Legation guard in Seoul have left for home. Only 27 now remain, these being considered sufficient to assure the security of the Minister.

CHINA'S NEUTRALITY VIOLATED.

RUSSIA BUILDING FORTS ON THE TALIN.

The Russian troops are making inroads west of the Liao River, and it is alleged that they are building fortifications along the Talin River. This constitutes a direct violation of the neutrality of Chinese territory.

JAPANESE ADVANCE DELAYED.

TRAITORS SELL PLANS TO RUSSIA.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WEIHAIWEI, 25th April, 5.58 p.m.

It has been reliably reported to me that the delay in Japan's advance towards the Yalu was due to the discovery that the original plans of campaign had been sold to Russia.

This necessitated a complete change in the projected line of advance, which has only just been completed.

The traitors who stole and disposed of the plans have been tried and executed.

(Reuters.)

The Strike in Hungary.

LONDON, 24th April.

The Hungarian railway strikers have expressed their willingness to accept the terms of the Government and return to work.

France and Italy.

President Loubet has arrived at Rome. He was met by the King at the Station and proceeded to the Quirinal. The ovations from an enormous crowd were most enthusiastic and most cordial. The whole city was gaily decorated and the scene was unsurpassed in brilliancy and magnificence. The French and Italian press emphasize the importance of the rapprochement.

Russia.

A plot has been discovered to secure the independence of Poland.

An attempt to blow up two new Russian cruisers arming in the Neva by means of explosives floating down the river, has been discovered.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

PROFESSOR JENKS IN SOOCHOW.

The *Shanghai Times* prints the following telegram from its Soochow correspondent, dated 20th inst.—Prof. Jenks, who has been in the East for some time, past in the interest of a stable currency for China, is in Soochow. U. S. Consul Goodnow is with the party, and they have had conferences with the Governor of this Province. This afternoon they leave by special launch for Hangchow and are expected to return to Shanghai on Monday. Prof. Jenks is from Cornell University, and is a leading authority in China for the monetary and financial conditions of the United States.

COOLIES FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

COMPLETING ARRANGEMENTS.

The British steamer *Tweeddale*, which has been in the Kowloon Dock for some time, being fitted out for the conveyance of Chinese labourers for the South Africa mines, is now ready for sea, and is only awaiting the consent of the Government before embarking the coolies.

EMIGRATION AGENT.

In announcing the arrival in the Colony, last Friday, of Mr. W. Cowan, the agent appointed in Hongkong to superintend the emigration of Chinese coolies to South Africa, we printed the official regulations which have been drawn up. We now learn that "from the time the appointment of Mr. Cowan to this important work and his forthcoming departure were announced there was a general manifestation of regret on the one hand and congratulations on the other. Banqueted at Loph and presented with an address by both the European and Chinese community of Kinta, he was on his way to Penang met at the Taiping Railway Station on 17th inst. by a good number of friends who availed themselves of the brief interval that the train halted there to bid him good-bye. The splendid success that Mr. Cowan has been within the sphere of his work gives grounds of hope that he will be equally successful in tackling a perhaps more difficult problem and under more arduous conditions. There are some, however, who seem to think that intimately and thoroughly as he knows the Chinese, he does not possess the same acquaintance with their country. They are of opinion that the Imperial authorities would have been better advised if they had utilised his talents and varied experience in the Transvaal itself by stationing him in that country to superintend the arrangements on the spot and adjusting the relations between the employers and their newly imported labourers. There he would have been in his own element. But by sending him to Hongkong and the Chinese Provinces to which he is an utter stranger, Government, it is feared, has not utilised his unique experience and attainments to the best advantage."

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Following is the report of the General Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce for the year ending 31st December, 1903, for presentation to the members at the annual meeting, to be held to-morrow at 3.30 p.m.

During the past year, which was somewhat encroached upon by 1903 report, fewer subjects have engaged the attention of the Chamber, but much satisfactory work has nevertheless been accomplished in certain directions.

SUGAR CONVENTION.

A copy of this convention, which came into force on the 1st September, 1902, was published in the last report. Since then much progress has been made by the permanent commission in putting through the necessary legislative machinery in order to comply with the terms of the convention.

As the Imperial Government undertook, on behalf of the Colonies not possessing responsible government (of which Hongkong is one), to take the necessary measures to prevent bounty-fed sugar which has passed in transit through the territory of a contracting State from enjoying the benefits of the convention in the market to which it is being sent, local legislation became necessary, and a sub-committee, composed of the chairman, vice-chairman, and Hon. C. W. Dickinson, was therefore appointed to watch the effects of the findings of the permanent commission on the import and export sugar trade of Hongkong. At the Government's request various suggestions have been made during the year with the object of leading the proposed legislation in the direction best suited to the peculiar conditions of the trade in this colony. The Colonial Secretary for the time being had been appointed as the "Fiscal Authority" in Hongkong.

The Consul for Japan in Hongkong having written to the *Daily Press* protesting against the imputation levelled by that paper against Japan for the discriminating treatment accorded in Japan to Hongkong sugars as compared with Japanese manufactured sugars, a letter was sent to the Consul calling attention to certain inaccuracies in his letter, and the opportunity was taken to point out that, although the discrimination alluded to in his letter may have been aimed chiefly against bounty-fed Continental sugar, it obviously applied equally to sugar from Hongkong not bounty-fed and there was wanting any evidence of a desire on the part of Japan to treat Hongkong products as Japanese products are treated in this Colony.

LICENSING OF PILOTS.

It will be remembered that a long correspondence with the government took place in 1902 with the object of making it obligatory on the part of the pilots plying for hire within the waters of the Colony to register themselves with, and prove their qualifications before, a board having the requisite authority from the government to act, and although, as was pointed out, similar regulations were in force dealing with the coxswains and engineers of steam launches, the government could not then see its way to extend the principle to pilots.

The committee again brought the matter forward in December last and instanced the flagrant incompetence of the pilot on board the s.s. *Tijpanas* when she steamed over the wreck of the *Pakistan*, which happened to be indifferently obeyed with danger signals. The captain was fined for negligent seamanship by the Harbour Master, who would neither recognise the part played by the pilot, nor allow him to give evidence.

The government replied that the matter was receiving attention, and recently it has been introduced by the government dealing with the question.

BROKERAGE ON STOCKS AND SHARES.

The committee proposed to the Stockbrokers' Association of Hongkong that brokerage

should be borne by the seller only, as the present system in vogue of charging both buyer and seller with brokerage precluded the brokers from acting impartially for both parties. Unfortunately the association was unable to see the force of the argument, concluding that the danger of partiality would only be accentuated by the charge inasmuch as a broker might consider his duty was due more to the seller from whom he would receive his commission than to the buyer from whom he would not receive any brokerage, whereas under the present system it is the imperative duty of a broker receiving his commission from both sides to see, to the best of his ability, that both buyer and seller are treated with the greatest impartiality and in accordance with the ruling rates on the market.

SIR ERNEST SATOW'S INTERVIEW WITH THE COMMITTEE.

Following the precedent set on former visits of H. B. M.'s Ministers at Peking to the Colony, the committee took the opportunity of inviting Sir Ernest Satow, O.C.M.G., H. B. M. Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary in China, to meet them and receive an Address on the various questions awaiting settlement relating to the Colony's commercial dealings with China, amongst which were:—Obstructions in the Canton River, registration of native-owned junks under foreign flags, piracy on the West River, inland navigation rules, absconding Chinese debtors, national coinage for China, payment of customs duties in gold, British Commercial Treaty of Shanghai, 1902, proposed increase of taxation on opium at 100 per cent.

The meeting took place in the Chamber room on the 6th August, and, after the address had been read by the chairman, His Excellency proceeded to discuss the subjects touched upon therein, taking them *seriatim*, asking for further information on several points, of which he made notes, and promising to give his early attention to all on his arrival in Peking. He concluded by expressing his gratification at having been afforded the opportunity of meeting the committee and thus being able to interchange views with them, and added an assurance of his readiness at all times to consider questions which might be brought to his notice by the Chamber.

The committee have reason to believe this interview will strengthen the Chamber's future relations with H.B.M.'s Foreign Office Representative in China and lead to even more ready and sympathetic acquiescence with the views from time to time laid before His Excellency.

ADDITIONAL TAX ON FOREIGN OPIUM AT CANTON.

A proclamation issued by the Viceroy's authority with regard to the re-imposition of an additional tax on foreign opium in the two Kwang Provinces appeared in Canton in June last, and as prompt measures were necessary in order to prevent the collection of this illegal tax, a telegram was despatched to Mr. Walter Townley, H.B.M.'s Chargé d'Affaires, Peking, protesting against the proposed re-introduction in modified form of the tax which was successfully opposed after negotiation extending over seven months in 1902. Full details followed by letter and support also followed from H.E. the Governor and Mr. Consul General Scott. Energetic steps were taken by Mr. Walter Townley and Mr. James Scott at Peking and Canton respectively, with the result that in August last the committee had the satisfaction of learning that the exaction had once more been stopped.

OFFICIAL CODE VOCABULARY.

Since 1899 the Telegraph Companies have been striving to impose on the mercantile community of the world an official code vocabulary, and with equal regularity this Chamber along with many others, chief of whom was the London Chamber, has strongly protested against such an arbitrary measure, which would have had the effect of forcing a higher rate of expenditure upon those who use cables by restricting the number of words and signs at their disposal and also throw upon owners of private codes great inconvenience and expense through the necessary amendment of their codes, which in many cases have been compiled at great expense and years of work.

The support of the home government postal authorities was obtained, and instead of the compulsory vocabulary, the International Conference decided to alter the rules relating to codes, and at 1st July, 1904, any combination of letters not exceeding ten in number will be passed as a code-word, provided that it is pronounceable according to the use of the language to which code-words have been limited; other combinations of letters will be counted as five letters to the word and the prohibition of letter cyphers which hitherto prevailed, is removed.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

The resolution passed at the special general meeting of members held on 18th February, 1903, in favour of the Straits Currency Commission extending its inquiries to Hongkong with a view to ascertaining whether reform of the Colony's currency arrangements is advisable, was communicated by H. E. Sir Henry Blake to Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, who in reply referred to the resolution passed at the conference between delegations from United States, China, Mexico and Great Britain regarding the monetary systems of silver-using countries and the establishment of a national currency in the Chinese Empire, resolution No. 2 reading as follows:—"That a national currency for the Chinese Empire, consisting of silver coins which shall be full legal tender throughout the empire, is urgently desirable." As soon as practicable, steps should be taken for the establishment in China of a fixed relation between the silver unit and gold.

Mr. Chamberlain considered it would be inexpedient to appoint a commission to inquire into the Hongkong currency arrangements as it appeared to be out of the question to entertain the idea of adopting a gold standard of currency in the colony while China remains a silver standard country.

The Tientsin Chamber having been informed that the Chinese government were anxious to take action with regard to its currency invited the Shanghai and Hongkong Chambers of Commerce to join in drawing up a memorial to the Chinese government in taking with the object of instigating sympathetic support by that body with the aims of the Chinese authorities. Your committee advised that the first step towards a solution of this complicated question should be the establishment of a uniform national currency, as provided for by Article 11 of the British commercial treaty of Shanghai of 1902, as still in force in this direction was carried out; it would not be possible to satisfactorily deal with the question of stability of exchange in China. The Tientsin and Shanghai Chambers agreed to this course of action, as well as to the proposed absorption, instead of the closing of the provincial mints, and the joint memorial from the three bodies was despatched to each member of the diplomatic body in Peking, the dozen of whom replied that the diplomat body was highly interested and greatly appreciated the efforts and zeal of the

signatory Chambers of Commerce. Nothing, however, has transpired as to what efforts have since been made to further the matter with the Chinese government, but, it is no doubt, too early to expect that any material result has been attained in this direction at the time of writing.

THE CROWN AGENTS AND CONTRACTS WITH PRIVATE FIRMS.

The Ceylon Chamber having asked for the opinion of this chamber with regard to the working of the Crown agents system in Hongkong, the Chamber's representative, Hon. R. Shewan, put a series of questions at a subsequent meeting of the Legislative Council, and from the answers given by the Government and the report of the committee by H. E. the Governor in 1901 to inquire into the working of the Public Works Department, the committee came to the conclusion that the cost to the Colony through the employing of the Crown Agents was not incommensurate with the services rendered. The advisability of all Government supplies being purchased locally was dealt with, and the view expressed that public works of "a special nature or of urgency" might be entrusted to private firms. The Ceylon Chamber's reply contained an expression of thanks for the information sent from Hongkong.

PROHIBITION OF COOLIE IMMIGRATION AT SINGAPORE.

The committee of the Singapore Chamber wrote in June last explaining the reasons which had prompted it to support the Government in connection with the prohibition of the immigration of coolies from Hongkong on account of the prevalence of plague in this port and inquiring whether some means of examining Chinese passengers could not be devised so stringent a nature as would reduce to a minimum the chances of plague cases occurring on the voyage or on arrival at Singapore. After full consideration, a reply was sent expressing the opinion that no examination would be adequate to prevent plague occurring on the voyage, and pointing out that the profit on the trade would not permit of any further expenses being incurred by the steamship owners here. A suggestion was made that if Chinese labour is necessary to supply the labour market of the Straits Settlements, it might be of advantage to found a segregation camp on one of the numerous adjacent islands from which the transfer of the coolies into Singapore could be regulated in accordance with the requirements of that Colony and at the expense of the employers of labour there who profit by employing Chinese coolies.

There is reason to believe that the Singapore Government recognises that the only way out of the difficulty would be the adoption of some such system, as the Chamber of Commerce there recommended the extension of the existing quarantine station and segregation camp on St. John's Island.

EXPLOSIVES ON BOARD STEAMERS IN THE HARBOUR.

The Government were approached with the object of restricting the disabilities under which steamers carrying small quantities of dangerous goods are under on arrival in the harbour. The belief that at least similar regulations might be applied as are in vogue at the treaty ports of China, but the Government could not see its way to go as far in this direction. Some concessions were, however, granted, the value of which depend on the promptness of the Harbour Office officials in meeting incoming steamers, thereby preventing delay. It is hoped that before long the Government may be induced to do away with any unnecessary restrictions of this nature.

TELEGRAM DEPOSIT SYSTEM.

At the end of August last some internal arrangements in the joint administration of the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Co., and the Great Northern Telegraph Co., induced these companies to cease the old system of demanding just sufficient cover from their regular customers to meet current indebtedness. The new regulations, published at two days' notice, demanded a deposit in the joint names of the two companies at a special bank, a sum of money equal to the average monthly account of each sender of telegrams, or if this were not agreed to cash payments to be made for each separate message as sent. At the request of several members of the Chamber, a strong protest was made against so high-handed a proceeding. A long correspondence ensued, in which it was pointed out amongst other arguments that:—(1) Longer notice should have been given. (2) The injustice of a person desiring to do business with only one of the companies being obliged to deposit his money with both jointly. (3) That to make the amount deposited equal to an average month's telegram account was tantamount to making each depositor a creditor of the companies for the greater portion of each month, which was more than the joint administration were entitled to, and that a reduction of the deposit by one half would be a more equitable proceeding. (4) That the claim by the companies to the whole of the interest allowed by the Bank on the deposits was unjust and contrary to custom. And the argument for the retention of the interest by the Telegraph Companies as put forward by them on the ground of the credit allowed and trouble of bookkeeping was considered by the Chamber to be unreasonable. (5) That if all senders of telegrams elected to pay cash for each telegram sent, much expense, delay and consequent annoyance to the whole mercantile community would result, as the handling of cash in small amounts is not a quick process, especially in this Colony.

In the end the cable companies agreed to refund half of the sums deposited with them and to allow the whole of the interest on the remaining portion to the depositor. A return to the old system would have been preferred, but as the Companies had themselves unable to accede to this plan, your Committee are of opinion that the system now adopted is not without its advantages.

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF PASSENGERS.

In 1897 and again in 1901 the Chamber brought to the notice of government the desirability of the appointment of the health officer of the port being filled by an official whose undivided attention would be devoted to the duties of the position, and as a result of the representations then placed before His Excellency the Governor, Sir Henry Blake made the following recommendations to the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—(a) The appointment of a second health officer of the port who will be allowed no practice of any kind. (b) In view of Dr. Jordan's long service as health officer of the port, His Excellency recommended that he should be allowed to retain his private practice on shore, but only on the distinct understanding that when himself engaged in private practice he will always place at the disposal of this Government another officer as his substitute to discharge the duties of health officer of the port, and who will not take private practice on board ships. (c) His Excellency further recommended that if Dr. Jordan was not willing to accept these conditions, another health officer of the port should be appointed in his place on the same terms as those offered to the second health officer of the port.

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THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders in this Company was held at the office at the company at noon to-day, for the purpose of confirming the special resolutions which were passed at the extraordinary general meeting of shareholders on the 9th instant. There were present Messrs. T. H. Reid (chairman), A. Rodger, W. H. Gaskell, T. F. Hough (directors), A. Shelton Hooper (secretary), S. J. Michael, M. S. Northcote and E. B. Shepherd.

The Chairman having announced the object of the meeting, Mr. Michael proposed that in article 81 the words "Five hundred dollars" shall be substituted for the words "One hundred and fifty dollars."

Mr. Northcote seconded.

Carried.

Mr. Michael proposed that in article 102 the words "An auditor" shall be substituted for the words "Two auditors."

Mr. Shepherd seconded.

Carried.

Mr. Michael proposed that in article 108 the word "auditor" shall be substituted for the word "auditors."

Mr. Northcote seconded.

Carried.

The Chairman thanked shareholders for their presence, and the meeting terminated.

A PARADISE IN SHANTUNG.

This is what Weihaiwei is to become, says the *N. C. D. News*, if the Commissioner, the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, is allowed to carry out the suggestions contained in the blue-book he has courteously sent us, entitled: "Report on the Agricultural and Afforestation Possibilities of Weihaiwei," by S. T. Dunn, Superintendent, Botanical and Afforestation Department, Hongkong. Apart from its technical value, the report is admirable by reason of its simplicity, directness, and terseness; it gives at once the impression that the author really knows his subject, is interested in it, and that his recommendations are thoroughly practical. We have said that the adoption of his suggestions will make Weihaiwei a paradise, but this is by no means Mr. Dunn's object. "It has been assumed," he says, "that the ultimate object of any present action in this department is to encourage seaborne trade, and that the expenditure upon it is only justified in so far as it furthers that end." Mr. Dunn is sternly utilitarian; the aesthetic side is, he would have us understand, absent from his thoughts; but *omne tulit punctum qui miscuit utile dulci*.

COMMERCIAL.

4.30 p.m.

Following are further alterations in Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly & Potts' share quotations notified to us after the list had been printed:—

China Sugars	135 b.
Whampoa Docks	211 b.
Hongkong Hotels	136 b.
Douglases	36 b.
Ices	210 5a.

Shanghai advices, of 22nd inst., state:—Business reported:—Cogs at 11s. 4d. "Ord." Indo-China at 11s. 7d. Farnham, Boyds at 11s. 147/147 1/4 for July and 11s. 149 for August. Maatschappij at 11s. 292 1/2 for April. Pips at 11s. 112 1/2.

Business done direct:—Farnham, Boyds at 11s. 145 cash. Sumatras at 11s. 62. Langkats at 11s. 293.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

London—Bank T.T.	119 7/16
Do. demand	119 1/16
Do. 4 months' sight	119 11/16
France—Bank T.T.	244
America—Bank T.T.	431
Germany—Bank T.T.	182 1/2
India T.T.	133 1/2
Do. demand	131 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	72 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T.	86
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	107 1/2

4 months' sight L/C	119 13/16
6 months' sight L/C	119 15/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	44 1/2
4 months' sight do.	44 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	110 1/10
4 months' sight do.	110 1/10
6 months' sight do.	110 1/10
4 months' sight Germany	182 1/2
6 months' sight do.	182 1/2
Bar silver	1.25
Bank of England rate	3%

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—	Per chest
Malwa New	960/990
" Old	1,010/1,060
" Older	1,080/1,140
" Oldest	1,180/1,200
Patna New	1,342 1/2
" Old	1,355
Bengales New	1,342 1/2
" Old	1,342 1/2
Persian (Paper)	880/920

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW, (WEDNESDAY), the 27th April, 1904, at 11 a.m., at The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's, Kowloon, A QUANTITY OF DAMAGED CARGO, ex s.s. *Glentworth*. Catalogues may be had on application. TERMS—As usual. For full particulars, apply to HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1904. [574]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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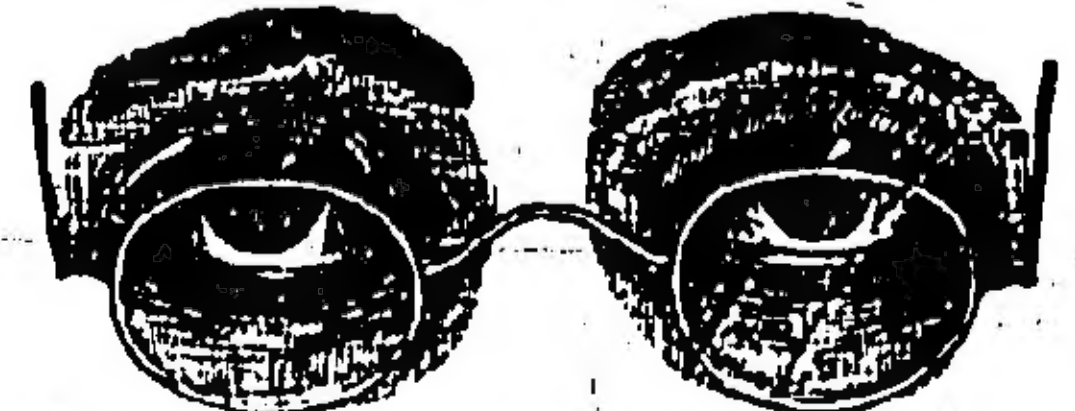
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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEENKAI"	On 13th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 15th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 21st May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"YANGTZE"	On 28th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMED"	On 3rd June.

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SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	2nd May.
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" Leg—Yeung Pei 24

" Shoulder—Yeung Shau 24

" Pigs' Chittlings—Chi cheong 24

" Brains—Chi Know 24

" Feet—Chi Kerk 24

" Fry—Chi Chak 24

" Head—Chi Tau 24

" Heart—Chi Sum 24

" Kidneys—Chi Yiu 24

" Liver—Chi Kon 24

" Pork, Chop—Chi Pai Kwat 24

" Corned—Ham Chai Yuk 24

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Shipping.

Arrivals.
 Melita, Fr. s.s., 784, La Prévôt, 24th April.—Kwan-chau-wan 23rd April, Salt.—B. & Co.
 Borneo, Ger. s.s., 7,168, E. Musle, 25th April.—Sandakan 21st April, Gen. and Timber.—M. & Co.
 Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 25th April.—Manila 21st April, Gen.—S. T. & Co.
 Telemachus, Br. s.s., 4,801, J. H. Goodwin, 25th April.—Lapin and Shanghai 22nd April, Gen.—B. & S.
 Tamsui, Br. s.s., 919, Eddy, 25th April.—Shanghai 21st April, Gen.—B. & S.
 Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 710, A. Suzzoni, 25th April.—Haiphong and Hoibow 24th April, Gen.—A. R. M.
 Crown of Aragon, Br. s.s., 1,474, Ino. G. Dorward, 25th April.—Cardiff 9th Mar., Coal.—Gilmann & Co.
 Coulson, Br. s.s., 2,772, I. J. Henry, 25th April.—Barry 10th Mar., Coals.—D. & Co., Ltd.
 Chi-yuen, Ch. s.s., 1,177, Stewart, 25th April.—Shanghai 21st April, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 Prinz Heinrich, Ger. s.s., 3,992, R. Heintz, 26th April.—Yokohama 16th April, Mails and Gen.—M. & Co.
 Catherine Apcar, Br. s.s., 1,730, A. Stewart, 26th April.—Calcutta 9th April, Penang 16th, and Singapore 20th, Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.
 Orange, Norw. s.s., 1,001, Joh. Dannevig, 27th April.—Newport 4th Mar., Coal.—Order.
 Kwangtsh, Ch. s.s., 1,536, W. H. Lunt, 26th April.—Canton 25th April, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 Monterey, Am. monitor, 4,014, Bechler, 26th April.—from Canton.
 Borv, Norw. s.s., 738, Mathisen, 26th April.—Bangkok 19th April, Rice.—Ming Chuen.
 Emma Luyken, Ger. s.s., 2,450, Martens, 26th April.—Saigon 22nd April, Rice.—E. A. T. Co.
 Machew, Ger. s.s., 1,600, H. Harges, 26th April.—Bangkok via Koh-si-chang 20th April, Rice and Gen.—B. & S.
 Prometheus, Norw. s.s., 1,024, H. Lersbryggen, 26th April.—Bangkok 19th April, Rice.—S. W. & Co.
Clearances at the Harbour Office.
 Hol Ho, for Canton.
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 Melita, for Nanchow.
Departures.
 April 25.
 Mores Polo, Italian cruiser, for Shanghai.
 Cressy, Br. cruiser, for Mira Bay.
 April 26.
 Hatching, for Foochow.
 Trocas, for Hankow.
 Kamph, for Saigon.
 Nigrella, for Moji.
 Whangpo, for Shanghai.
 Hue, for Haiphong.
 Laisang, for Calcutta.
 Yuenwang, for Manila.
 San Francisco, Am. cruiser, for Manila.
Freighters arrived.
 Per Borneo, from Sandakan—Master W. Wardrop, and 74 Chinese.
 Per Chi-yuen, from Shanghai, &c.—Mr. R. Walpole, and 70 Chinese.
 Per Catherine Apcar, from Calcutta, &c.—Mr. Jas. Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. F. Somers, Messrs. Judah, T. P. Dean, 31 Chinese, and 1 Japanese.
 Per Prince Heinrich, from Japan—Capt. J. Bohn, Miss M. Russell, Reg. Master Mahike, Vice-Consul Maccus, Messrs. O. Winter, S. S. Somekh, M. Fuchs, F. E. Shaw, Mercey, Mr. and Mrs. Orchar, Messrs. Ilsemann, Goldenstid, Krans, Heinrich, A. Holzberg, Kleemann, T. S. Toichowsky, Mr. and Mrs. Dimitrieff, Mr. and Mrs. Janovsky, Messrs. Spade, Reimann, Seikmann, Weinberg, Laakso, Bantonsoff, Siebert, Skouma, Schwitz, Iachins, Proine, Stubbris, 84 Chinese, and 4 Japanese.

Vessels in Port.

Strangers.
 Amara, Br. s.s., 1,565, C. J. Mattock, 19th April.—Saigon 15th April, Rice, Flour and Cotton Seed.—J. M. & Co.
 Anglin, Ger. s.s., 1,001, F. J. Schaefer, 22nd April.—Bangkok 15th April, Rice.—M. & S.
 Athenian, Br. s.s., 2,446, S. Robinson, 7th April.—Vancouver, B.C. 7th Mar., and Shanghai 4th April, Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
 Chwshan, Br. s.s., 1,281, J. D. Jenkins, 12th April.—Saigon 8th April, Gen.—B. & Co.
 Cyrus, Br. s.s., 2,174, F. Simmons, 12th April.—Japan 7th April, Rice.—Samuel & Co.
 Decima, Ger. s.s., 794, P. Christiansen, 22nd April.—Saigon 17th April, Rice and Gen.—S. W. & Co.
 Elisabeth Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,223, Goethe, 24th April.—Bangkok 16th April, Rice.—B. & S.
 Ferdene, Br. s.s., 2,448, R. J. Fisher, 13th April.—Rangoon 30th Mar., Rice.—Order.
 General Bagedano, Chilean Training ship, 1,051, Comdr. Luis Gomez, 23rd April.—Singapore 13th April.
 Glenshiel, Br. s.s., 2,204, E. Warner, R.N.R., 13th April.—London via Singapore 27th Feb., Gen.—McG. B. & Gow.
 Hangsang, Br. s.s., 1,356, S. Wilde, 24th April.—Shanghai 18th April, and Swatow 23rd, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Heathdene, Br. s.s., 2,740, H. R. Ketley, 12th April.—Moji 6th April, Coal.—B. & Co.
 Ichang, Br. s.s., 1,238, W. L. Jones, 24th April.—Canton 23rd April, Gen.—B. & S.
 Indravelli, Br. s.s., 3,152, R. P. Craven, 22nd April.—Portland, Or. 14th Mar., Flour and Gen.—P. & A. S. S. Co.
 Isle de Negros, Am. s.s., 300, Lariligen, 7th April.—Manila 3rd April, Ballast.—B. & Co.
 Ismaila, Br. s.s., 3,381, A. E. Stebbing, 11th April.—Rangoon via Singapore 29th Mar., Rice.—J. M. & Co.
 Kalanga, Br. s.s., 2,159, J. McBride, 24th April.—Moji 18th April, Coal.—B. & Co.
 Loksang, Br. s.s., 979, R. Johns, 25th April.—Canton 24th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Lord Ormonde, Br. s.s., 2,533, James Aiken, 20th April.—Barry Dock 5th Mar., Coal.—A. K. & Co.
 Marie Jensen, Ger. s.s., 2,200, Bendixen, 7th April.—Java Ports 29th Mar., Sugar.—Tung Kee.
 Nithsdale, Br. s.s., 2,234, John Cameron, 19th April.—Muroran (Japan) 9th April, Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.
 Purnea, Br. s.s., 1,127, Pearson, 24th April.—Singapore 18th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Rajaburi, Br. s.s., 1,189, J. Wendig, 24th April.—Bangkok and Swatow 16th April, Rice.—B. & S.
 Sido Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,861, G. Anderson, 24th April.—Singapore 19th April, Ballast.—N. Y. K.
 Sandford, Br. s.s., 2,052, W. Stephens, 18th April.—Kuchinotzu, 13th April, Coal.—B. & Co.
 Seward, Am. transport, 1,270, Croskey, 20th April.—Manila 16th April.
 Siberia, Am. s.s., 5,655, J. T. Smith, 20th April.—San Francisco 23rd Mar., and Shanghai 18th April, Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.
 Simoom, Br. s.s., 3,737, R. E. Collins, 24th April.—Barry Docks 12th Mar., Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.
 Sishan, Br. s.s., 845, A. Jones, 20th April.—Saigon 16th April, Rice and Meal.—B. & Co.
 Strassburg, Ger. s.s., 3,205, Madsen, 25th April.—Singapore 19th April, Gen.—H. A. L.
 Sungkiang, Br. s.s., 1,021, J. Robinson, 24th April.—Manila 22nd April, Gen.—B. & S.
 Teesta, Br. s.s., 3,428, A. M. Rait, R.N.R., 24th April.—Yokohama and Moji 20th April, Coal.—J. M. & Co.
 Triumph, Ger. s.s., 679, A. Hansen, 23rd April.—Foochow via Amoy and Swatow 22nd April, Gen.—O. S. K.
 Tweeddale, Br. s.s., 1,116, 16th April.—Moji 10th April, Ballast.—G. L. & Co.
 Wongkoi, Ger. s.s., 1,115, W. Reher, 23rd April.—Bangkok 17th April, Rice and Wood.—B. & S.
 Wuchang, Br. s.s., 801, E. Finlayson, 24th April.—Cebu and Iloilo 19th April, Sugar.—B. & S.
SAILING VESSELS.
 Algos Bay, Br. sq., 1,111, Title, 4th Mar.—Hongay 15th Feb., Coal.—B. & S.
 Maria Le, Ital. sq., 1,118, D. Urso, 9th April.—Freemantle 7th Feb., Sandalwood.—Order.
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Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—16th March—Maria, Kilda. 18th March—Voronoi Brethuch. 22nd March—Hylon, Oldenburg, Dornoch, Thyra, Orange, Strassburg. 30th March—Aragonia, Benmor, Argus, Simoom. 6th March—Theodorville, Gerda, Pera, Deucalion, Ella, Sagami, 9th April—Ernest Simons, Titania, Plantimara, Verona, Ulysses, Segovia, Algonia. 13th April—Sanda, Schuykill. 16th April—Calhoun, Teekah, Borneo, Courtfield, Indramayo, Silvertop. 20th April—Vindobona, Elatus, Heimdal, Sitkonia. 23rd April—Australien, Nurnberg, Union.
Homeward—18th March—Alesia, Alcinos. 30th March—Macduff. 9th April—Roan. 13th April—Sootra. 23rd April—Ajaz, Glaucus, Preussen.
Arrivals at Home—16th March—Ambria, Himer, Princess Marie. 18th March—Lower Castle, Syria, Marie Valeria. 22nd March—Yarra, Nestor. 25th March—Gera, Nubia. 30th March—Glenloch, Wurzburg, Denbighshire. 6th March—Toldor, Kintuck, Seydlitz, Hudson. 9th April—Palermo, Palermo. 13th April—C. Ferd, Laetia, Keemun. 16th April—Radnorshire. 20th April—Moyuna, Oanfa. 23rd April—Gisela, Sydney.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:
 Canton—Per Hankow, 27th April, 7:30 A.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Triumph, 27th April, 9 A.M.
 Swatow and Bangkok—Per Kohsichang, 27th April, 9 A.M.
 Amoy, Straits and Rangoon—Per Purnea, 27th April, 10 A.M.
 Haiphong—Per Hongkong, 27th April, 10 A.M.
 Amoy—Per Sishan, 27th April, 10 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Athenian, 27th April, 10:45 A.M.
 Rangoon, India via Tuticorin—Per Prince Heinrich, 27th April, 11 A.M.
 Macao—Per Hongkong, 27th April, 1:15 P.M.
 Shanghai—Per Kwangtsh, 27th April, 3 P.M.
 Saigon—Per Shantung, 27th April, 4 P.M.
 Kobe—Per Nithsdale, 27th April, 4 P.M.
 Canton—Per Purnea, 27th April, 5 P.M.
 Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok—Per Anglin, 27th April, 5 P.M.
 Nantao—Per Taichun, 27th April, 5 P.M.
 Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 27th April, 5 P.M.
 Macao—Per Wingchai, 27th April, 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per Kintang, 28th April, 5 P.M.
 Cebu and Iloilo—Per Wuchang, 28th April, 3 P.M.
 Canton—Per Fushan, 28th April, 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per Hankow, 29th April, 7:30 A.M.
 Singapore—Per Telemachus, 29th April, 9 A.M.
 Manila—Per Sungkiang, 29th April, 3 P.M.
 Canton—Per Purnea, 29th April, 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per Kintang, 30th April, 7:30 A.M.
 Manila—Per Rubi, 30th April, 9 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per Siberia, 30th April, 11 A.M.
 Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Ichang, 30th April, 3 P.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe—Per Aragonia, 30th April, 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per Fatsan, 31st April, 9 A.M.
 Shanghai—Per Tamsui, 2nd May, 3 P.M.
 Swatow and Tientsin—Per Chikili, 2nd May, 3 P.M.
 Europe, Rangoon, India via Tuticorin—Per Annam, 3rd May, 11 A.M.
 Manila—Per Zafra, 7th May, 9 A.M.
 Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Tamsui, 9th May, 3 P.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of Japan, 11th May, 11 A.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe—Per Changsha, 11th May, 3 P.M.
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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plummer, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—
 On the 26th at 11:33 a.m. The barometer has risen in China and the Philippines, and fallen greatly in NE. of Japan, where there exists at present a well marked depression, which appears to have come from the northeast. Gradients are moderate on the China Coast, but are increasing, and fresh N. to NE. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel.
 Over the northern part of the China Sea they are slight and light variable winds may be expected there.

Forecast:—Light N. to NE. winds; fine.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

April 26th, 1904, a.m.		Bar.	Th.	Hum.	Wind.	Wr.
Vladivostok	7 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.m.	29.61	—	S	6	—
Hakodate	—	29.62	—	NW	4	—
Tokio	—	29.86	—	S	8	—
Kochi	—	29.87	—	W	6	—
Nagasaki	—	29.83	—	W	8	—
Kagoshima	—	29.87	—	SW	8	—
Oshima	—	30.00	—	S	4	—
Naha	—	30.10	—	S	2	—
Ishigakijima	—	29.97	—	S	2	—
Taihou	5 a.m.	29.96	—	S	2	—
Taihu	—	29.94	—	N	2	—
Tainan	—	29.92	—	N	2	—
Koshun	—	29.93	—	NW	2	—
Pescadore	—	29.93	—	NW	2	—
Weihaiwei	9 a.m.	30.00	59	NW	2	—
Gutai	—	30.17	57	N	2	—
Sharp Peak	—	30.05	58	N	3	—
Amoy	6:30 a.m.	29.96	75	90	0	—
Swatow	7 a.m.	29.99	75	90	0	—
Canton	—	29.99	75	90	0	—
Hongkong	10 a.m.	30.00	77	83	W	10
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	NE	2	—
Gap Rock	—	29.99	—	N	1	—
Haiphong	—	29.97	74	—	N	1
Manila	—	29.93	83	67	—	0
Bacolod	9 a.m.	—	—	NE	3	b
Iloilo	—	29.89	83	—	NE	1
Cebu	—	29.8	85	—	—	b
C. St. James	10 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—

April 26th, 1904, a.m.		April 27th, 1904, a.m.
Barometer	29.94	29.83
Temperature	76	78
Humidity	93	86
Rainfall	0.04	—

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 M. J. D.
 Sunlong, F.
 Talati, Mr. and Mrs. M.
 P.
 Vaughan, H. S.

PEAK.

Beattie, J. M.
 Beattie, M. P.
 Benson, Mr. & Mrs.
 Bunney, Lieut. Col. F.
 W.
 Bunney, Major and Mrs.
 Bunney, Miss
 Brown, Col. L. F.
 Conrad, Mr. and Mrs.
 Dymock, Capt. A. A.
 Ehelderke, R.A.
 Foote, R.N., Capt. and Mrs.
 Mrs.
 Frege, Mr. and Mrs.
 French, Major G. A.
 Grant, R.N., Eng. Lieut.
 A. R.
 Hudig, D.
 Hamilton, Major
 Hamilton, J. E.
 Hardy, R.N., Comman-
 der and Mrs.
 Hays, I.
 Hewitt, F. T. H.
 Holborow, Mr.
 Jeffery, Mrs.
 Jeffries, H. W.
 King, Mr.
 Longstaff, G. B.
 Longstaff, Miss
 Low, D. R.
 Martin, R.
 McDermott, A. P. B.
 Moxon, Mr. and Mrs.
 Herbert
 Perry, F.
 Pollock, H. E.
 Post, N.
 Pratt, Major and Mrs.
 Reid, T. H.
 Rice, P. J.
 Sawer, Mrs. W. E.
 Sinclair, A.
 Skelton, Mr.
 Skelton, Mrs.
 Smith, A. Findlay
 Smith, C. W.
 Spackshaver, W. O. C.
 Stevenson, D.
 Stokes, Mr.
 Sutherland, Mr. and
 Mrs. J. and child
 Uffel, W. von
 Watkins, R.E., Capt.
 and Mrs.
 Watson, Mr. and Mrs.
 Wenborn, S. T.
 White, Dr. and Mrs.
 M. J.
 Yates, Mr. & Mrs. C. C.

THOMAS.

Adania, F. R.
 Bakken, J. O.
 Berrain, C. F.
 Bi, H. Wm. N.
 Canances, N. W.
 Coyle, J.
 Crago, Mr.
 Dunlat, A. E.
 Eastman, M. G.
 Erskine, E. P.
 Forman, J. G.
 Hough, Dr.
 Jenson, Mr.
 Kerman, L. E.
 Key, G. W.
 Lehman, E.
 Marroni, M.
 Parker, H. E.
 Palmer, Chas. B.
 Peterson, Mr. and Mrs.
 J.
 Pington, C. D. U.
 Rinker, T. E.
 Sharp, Edward
 Thomas, Mr. and Mrs.
 H. E. S.
 Watson, Mr. and Mrs.
 Whitley, Mr.
 Wilson, Mrs.
 William, S.
 Young, L. C.
 Cowden, Mrs. & Miss
 Crofton, R. H.
 Craig, W. E.
 Dann, G. H.
 Gaskell, Mr. and Mrs.
 Lauder, P.
 Menocad, D. A.
 Ross, W. W.
 Baker, Col.
 Daniel, W.
 Dye, H. S.
 Gomes, Mr. and Mrs.
 J. B.
 Gilson, G. A.
 Iremonger, Lieut.-Col.
 Rowe, Mrs. and baby
 and Mrs.
 Grant
 Smith, Mr. E. Grant
 Whitlow, Mr. & Mrs.
 and child
 Woodward, Mr. & Mrs.
 and children

KOWLOON.

Jewell, F. F.
 Lorry, Dr. and Mrs.
 and children
 Mitchell, Mr.
 Murdoch, Mr.
 Mitchell, Mr.
 Murdoch, Mr.
 and Mrs. and baby
 Yokura, K.

WHERE NOISE IS KING.

WHAT A BOILERMAKER ENDURES.
 No human being endures so much in the way of deafening, ear-shattering noise as a boilermaker. The whole place in which he works is filled with thunderous sound as of artillery-firing. Along its huge length fat boilers lie in stocks like giant iron canoes in process of building; while men, whose skins glisten in the light and heat, rush about with pickers holding red-hot rivets, which they thrust through the plates to have their pro-

truding noses flattened by heavy hammers. Over everything the fierce light of the brasiers makes weird shadows on the heaving muscles of workers.

A hard, wearing life it is and a little thing impairs a boilermaker's efficiency. As Mr. Thomas Houghton, a Birmingham boilermaker, recently said to a newspaper interviewer, even deranged digestion may incapacitate one. Mr. Houghton, some time ago, was compelled to give up his work, but he cured himself by Dr. Williams' pink pills. Mr. Houghton, who lives at 66 Cuthbert-road, Winslow Green, Birmingham, England, said:

"I was a victim of wind and indigestion for a long time, and was frequently attacked by spasms, which were so painful that I was afraid to stoop at my work in case they should come on.

"At home, after meals, I had often to walk about the house to disperse them. There was a pain in my chest which completely took my breath away at times. Of course, it hampered me very much at the works, and I was afraid to take my food.

"Then my wife, who had suffered terribly with indigestion, prevailed upon me to get her a bottle of Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people, and after taking them for some time her improvement was so marked that I began to take the pills myself, with the result that, like her, I felt speedy relief. After taking about two bottles I was completely cured.

"I can't speak too highly of the merits of this medicine. I have a capital appetite now, and can go about my work

Mails.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, CALCUTTA,
BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT,
MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON,
HAVRE, BORDEAUX;

ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 3rd May, 1904,
at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship
"ANNAM," Captain R. Girard, with Mails,
Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave
this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call,
WITHOUT TRANSITMENT.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with
the Australian Line S.S. Nera bound for
MARSEILLES via BOMBAY and ADEN.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in
transit through Marseilles for the principal
places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON
only on MONDAY, the 2nd May, Specie
and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same
day. No Cargo will be received on board on
TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they
must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents
and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Com-
pany's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1904.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND
LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERI-
CAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"MALPA"

Captain C. L. Dague, carrying His Majesty's
Mails, will be despatched from this Port for
BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 7th May,
at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the
above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
and landed.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904.

Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTER-
DAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"STRASSBURG"

Captain Madsen, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before Noon
TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited,
and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 2nd May will be subject
to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to
be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 2nd May at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904.

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"PURNEA"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board after 4 P.M. TO-DAY, the 25th
instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and
expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Agents.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1904.

Consignees.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"ALGOA"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to
take immediate delivery of their Goods from
alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered
by WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at 5 P.M.,
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

E. W. TILDEN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1904.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"SIBERIA"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to
take immediate delivery of their Goods from
alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered
by SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, at 5 P.M.,
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

E. W. TILDEN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1904.

THE PORTLAND AND ASIATIC

STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "INDRAVELLI"

FROM PORTLAND (OR.), YOKOHAMA,

KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

ALLAN CAMERON,

General Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"CHUSAN"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London, &c., ex S.S. *Marmora*.From Australia, ex S.S. *Oceana*.From Calcutta, ex S.S. *Nubia*.

From Persian Gulf, &c., ex B. I. S. N. and

H. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
3 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 28th instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees'
and the Company's representative at an
appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival here after which
date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"BANCA"

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P.

S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Goods not cleared by the 28th instant at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Go-
downs for examination by the Consignees' and
the Company's representative at an appointed
hour.

All claims must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival here after which
date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods
have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

FROM NEW YORK.

S.S. "ARABIA"

CONSIGNEES are hereby informed that

the Cargo ex the above steamer has

arrived here by

S.S. "HYSON"

For delivery, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1904.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP	RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	8,000	\$1.25	\$1.25	\$10,000,000	\$1,417,366	Div. of £1.10/- and bonus of 10/- @ exchange 1/84 = \$22.924 for half-year ending 31.12.1903	6 1/2 %	\$655
National Bank of China, Limited.	4,453	£10	£8	\$10,000,000	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	5 1/2 %	London 664 \$36 buyers \$10
Do. Founders'	750	£1	£1	\$191,973		None		
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,750,000	\$1,059,926	\$32 for 1902	6 1/2 %	\$525 buyers
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$35	\$569,143	Nil.	\$4 for year ended 30.4.1903	6 1/2 %	\$60 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	\$784,415	Tls. 27,589	Final of £1 making £3 for 1902		Tls. 674 sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	\$906,872	\$186,284	\$12 for 1902	10 %	123 ex div.
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$350	\$51	\$151,922	\$110,551	\$15 for 1902	8 %	\$185 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$331,142	\$371,110	\$12 1/2 for 1902	7 1/2 %	\$190 buyers
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$0	\$1,308,856	\$3,9047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	8 1/2 %	\$834
SHIPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.								
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$1,000,000	\$41,538	\$1 1/2 for second half-year 1903	10 1/2 %	29 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£0	\$251,000	£5,380	10/- for 1902	6 %	\$95
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$633,000	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900		\$214 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,490,409	Nil.	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	8 1/2 %	\$35 buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$149,409	\$37	\$1.20 for year ending 30.4.03	3 1/2 %	\$12 buyers
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	\$7,500		\$8 for second half year 1903	11 %	\$145
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	3,000,000	£1	£1	\$35,000	£19,555	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 4) for 1903	5 %	\$27 buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	\$7,500	Tls. 885	Final of Tls. 1 making Tls. 2 for 1903	5 1/2 %	Tls. 35
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$35,000	Tls. 55,541	Final of Tls. 2 making Tls. 4	9 1/2 %	Tls. 47 buyers
Do. Preference	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$35,000		Final of Tls. 12 making Tls. 34	7 1/2 %	Tls. 464 sales
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$147,717	Final of \$7 making \$12 for 1901		\$130 buyers
Javan Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897		\$10 buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,456	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.03	5 %	Tls. 50 sales
MINING.								
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	{ Fcs. 251,337 Fcs. 1,529,632 }	Fcs. 85,706	Interim of Fcs. 30 for 1903		\$500
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	£1	18/10	£4,873	Dr. £7,236	No. 12 of 1/-		\$6 sellers
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£20,000	£6,671	No. 2 of 1/-		Tls. 64 buyers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$8,750	\$425,340	{ \$6 dividend and \$1 bonus for second half year 1903 Int. of Tls. 5 for half year ending 31.10.03 \$5 for first half year 1903 \$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus } for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$210 buyers
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 850,000	Tls. 43,124	\$5 for first half year 1903	7 %	Tls. 145 buyers
Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited	37,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,850,000		{ \$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus } for 1903	4 1/2 %	\$250 buyers
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	6,000	\$100	\$100	\$150,000		\$7 dividend	6 1/2 %	\$194 buyers
Do. Preference	2,750	\$100	\$100	\$50,000		\$10 for first half year 1903		\$100 buyers
Howarth Erskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	\$50,000	\$3,015	Final of \$2 1/2 making \$5 for 1903	5 %	\$101
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown, Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000		Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 11 for 1903	7 1/2 %	Tls. 152 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company	20,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 487,710	Tls. 22,895	Tls. 18 for 1903	10 %	Tls. 180
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 6,000	Tls. 1,760	\$1 1/2 for 1902	6 1/2 %	Tls. 371 sellers
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$64	\$64	\$55,500	\$4,548			
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.								
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$100,000	\$51,966	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1903	8 %	\$150 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 5	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 37,634	{ Final of Tls. 3 & bonus of Tls. 2 making in all Tls. 8 for 1903 }	7 1/2 %	Tls. 108 sales
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	7,726	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	Final of Tls. 5 making in all Tls. 9 for 1903	7 %	Tls. 130 sales
China Land and Finance Company, Limited	6,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	\$636	Interim of Tls. 2		Tls. 55
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	\$636	\$2.50 for 1903	7 1/2 %	\$35
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	none	Tls. 5,150	None		Tls. 10
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$100,000	\$1,362	Final of 1.70 making \$3.50 for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$52 buyers</